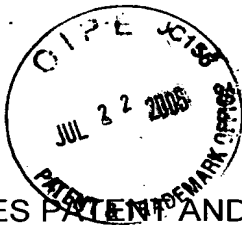




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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Sir:

Applicants provide the present Amendment to address the issues raised in the final Office Action dated January 24, 2005. This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination and a Petition and Fee for Extension of Time. Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment and allowance of the present application.

It is not believed that any fee(s), including fees for additional claims, are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that additional fees are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is also hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Applicants authorize that any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.